

Alexandria Sheriff's Office

2010 Annual Report





Message from the Sheriff

It is my pleasure to present to you the Alexandria Sheriff's Office 2010 Annual Report.

My staff and I have worked diligently to serve you with excellence in everything we do. We have worked in partnership with our colleagues in the Police and Fire Departments, other City agencies, community associations and business and non-profit organizations to answer the call through weather emergencies, community concerns and neighborhood celebrations. We have helped beautify Alexandria and with our partners, worked to improve the quality of life in our City. For this and for all that they do, I commend the 219 men and women of the Alexandria Sheriff's Office who serve you with honor and integrity.

I am proud of our activities and accomplishments this year, and hope that you will discover through this Annual Report the depth of our commitment to Alexandria and to excellence.

Best Regards,

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Dana Lawhorne, Sheriff

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Respect, Responsibility, Results

Excellence of Purpose

The Alexandria Sheriff's Office is dedicated to excellence. Every day, within every division and every team, Sheriff's staff are driven to serve with integrity and professionalism. We accomplish this through a mission statement that describes our calling and core values that identify those ideals that define who we are.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Alexandria Sheriff's Office to protect the life and property of our citizens and those placed in our custody and to provide quality services to the people of the City of Alexandria. We will serve our community with honor, integrity, and compassion, and will fulfill, with dedication to excellence, all legal mandates prescribed by our federal, State and local governments.

Core Values

Integrity We believe integrity is central to everything we do and is the key to maintaining the trust of our citizens, colleagues and criminal justice partners.

Human Life We value human life above all else.

Respect We protect the dignity of others.

Excellence We strive to do the best we can in everything we do.

Ourselves We are competent, compassionate people who perform an extremely valuable service, often under challenging circumstances.

Diversity We celebrate and embrace diversity. We recognize that our employees are our most valued asset and that in diversity there is strength.

Service We give of ourselves to make life better for others. Serving others shows we care.

Accountability We are accountable to our colleagues and the citizens we serve, who are the source of our considerable authority.

The Organization

The Alexandria Sheriff's Office is mandated by the Virginia Constitution as "keeper of the jail", as the entity responsible for delivery of all civil process, and for maintaining order and security in our courthouses and courtrooms. The Sheriff's Office is organized over four Bureaus and employs 219 full-time sworn and civilian staff.



Administrative Services Bureau — The most diversified Bureau in the Office, Administrative Services supports all other Sheriff's Office divisions. Administrative Services is responsible for managing the human and capital resources, policy direction and technology support and coordinates staff training necessary for the Office to complete its mission.

Detention Center Bureau — The Detention Center Bureau is responsible for the secure operation of the Detention Center and is comprised of the Security Division, an all sworn work unit. The Bureau performs the important task of managing the facility's inmate population and also controls the access to all areas of the Public Safety Center by inmates, staff and the public. Finally, the Bureau oversees the delivery of medical and food services within the Detention Center.



Inmate/Support Services Bureau — This Bureau's main functions support the security of the facility through providing constitutionally mandated services to inmates, administrative support to ensure proper facility recordkeeping, and programs that represent best practices in Corrections. The Bureau also houses the organization's community corrections component.

Judicial Services and Special Operations Bureau

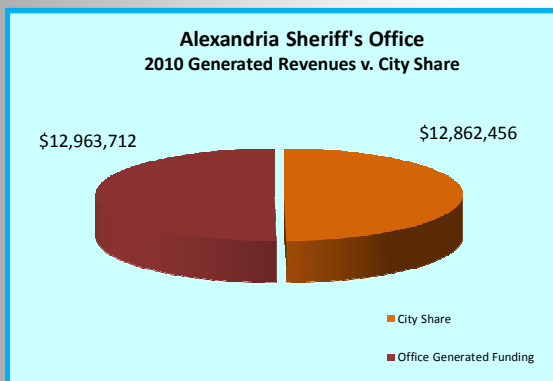
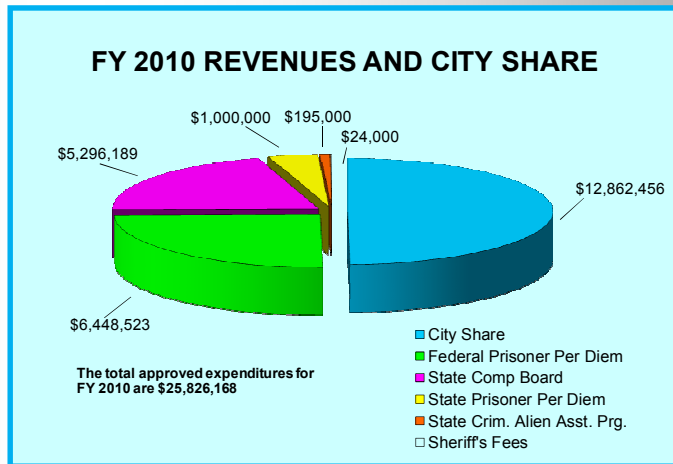
Judicial and Special Operations staff protect our courthouse and serve as our field units. Judicial Services staff also serve as court bailiffs, serve civil process and conduct evictions. Special Operations staff execute criminal warrants, operate the Gang Unit, perform prisoner transports, and coordinate the Office's law enforcement response.

Deputy Terrence Nevins receives congratulations from Undersheriff Davis after Academy graduation (above right). Above left, Deputy (now Sergeant) Chris O'Dell gives defensive tactics demonstration. At right is Deputy Juan Guzman at his post in housing unit 3AB.

The Budget

Revenue Sources

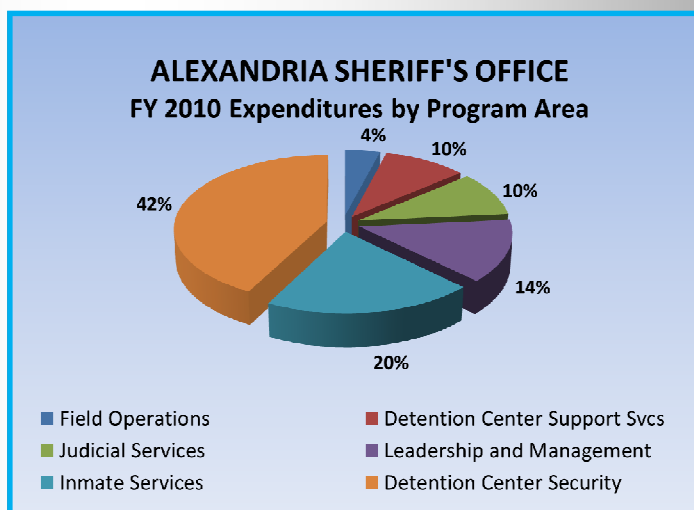
The Sheriff's Office FY 2010 budget was funded at \$25,826,168. Almost half of the funding for 2010 was generated from outside the City from several different sources that included the State Compensation Board, the Virginia Department of Corrections, and collection of Sheriff's fees



for program participation and civil process service. The Sheriff's Office's contract with the U.S. Marshals Service generated over six million dollars in revenue to the City from inmate per diem costs. The chart above identifies the 2010 revenues by funding sources and at left compares the Sheriff's Office generated revenues to the overall City share.

Funds Allocation

In FY 2010, more than \$19 million of the Office's fiscal resources supported the Detention Center's operations, which comprises the highest concentration of staffing and resources in the organization. This represented 72% of the Office's total budget. Personnel costs in the Security Division were 42% of the total Office budget. Inmate services expenditures were next in line, which included the costs for medical care and mental health services. The figure at right charts the allocation of the Office's fiscal resources between all program areas.



Excellence In Operation

Excellence in action defined the Alexandria Sheriff's Office in 2010. In every bureau, division and unit, staff exemplified true professionalism, courage and integrity.

Administrative Services

Recruiting and Hiring – Acquiring quality candidates for all Office positions continued to be a priority in 2010. A total of 446 applicants were processed for all positions at the Sheriff's Office, a significant accomplishment that included administering screening tests, scheduling polygraph examinations, conducting background investigations and criminal history records checks, scheduling physicals and psychological assessments, and of course, analyzing all of the data so as to recommend the best applicants for hire. The Human Resources section also coordinated the hiring of new civilian staff and conducted interviews for civilian promotional positions.



HR Unit's Marvin Pitts, Bernard Baldwin and Cmdr. Michele McCarty review applicant files

Embracing Technology – The use of technology in the Office's daily operations continued to grow in 2010. State of the art computer technology was added to field units and the Office implemented the first use in the City of in-car video equipment. The new technology was implemented in two inmate transport vehicles to provide an added layer of protection. The video cameras also swivel out to record road conditions, traffic incidents and law enforcement stops. Inside the Sheriff's Office, technology



staff maintained over 127 computers in working order. During CY 2010, a total of 706 troubleshooting calls were completed by the Office's Technology and Information Management Unit (TIM).

Accreditation and Policy Maintenance

In FY 2010, Administrative Services coordinated the agency's re-accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), an international law enforcement accrediting agency. The CALEA audit process examined the Office's judicial, field operations and administrative services functions. Other accreditations include the American Correctional Association (ACA), the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, (NCCHC), and the Virginia Department of Corrections (DOC). The Sheriff's Office is one of two in Virginia and one of 38 in the country to hold triple crown status.



Training Topics –2010

Ethics in Corrections	Legal Updates	Supervisory Training
Interpersonal Communications	Cultural Diversity	New Employee Training
Use of Force-Firearms	Crisis Intervention	First Aid/CPR/Defibrillator

Staff Training

Administrative Services training staff were kept busy coordinating mandatory training for Deputies who must maintain their State certifications, and for the professional growth and development of all staff. Training staff also maximized the use of on-line training to staff in 2010 at a reduced cost to the agency. The chart above documents training topics delivered to staff in 2010.

Community and Media Relations

The Office's Community Relations Deputy and Public Information Specialist completed projects to keep Alexandria resi-



dents informed and supported. Thanks to the efforts of PIO Specialist Harry Covert, local news

Lt. Williams gives interview to a foreign correspondent (above). Deputy Edwards (left) delivers food to the ALVE Food Bank

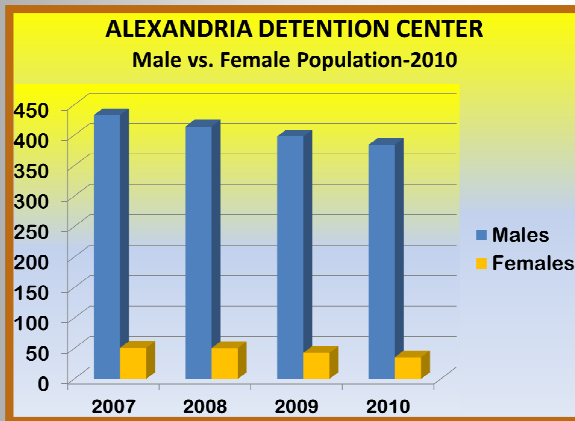
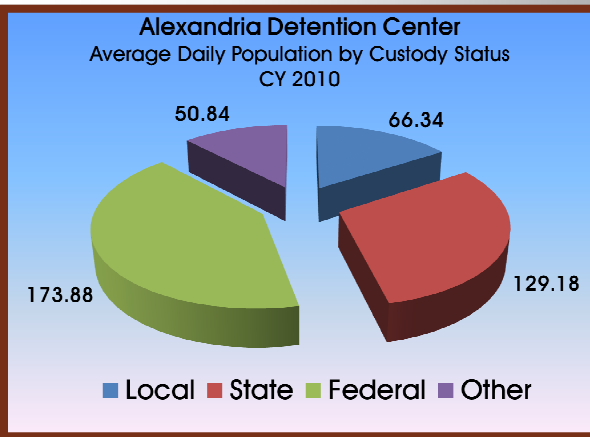


organizations published over 290 articles and photographs featuring the Sheriff's Office in 2010. Community Relations

Deputy Monique Edwards, (left) organized Spring and Fall food drives to support Alexandria's food bank, was a regular fixture at the City's public schools at all levels, and among other activities, coordinated the Office's participation in Art on the Avenue, First Thursdays and other programs and events such as Triad and Project Life-saver that supported the City's youth and at risk citizens.

The Alexandria Detention Center

In 2010, as in every year, security was the focus in the Detention Center. Detention Center staff effected the secure housing of an average daily population of 420 inmates, coordinated crisis intervention and mental health services for individuals requiring treatment, made thousands of inmate classification decisions to keep the right mix in each inmate housing unit,



and maintained accurate records to ensure that each inmate was legally housed and released according to court orders.

The inmate population declined slightly in 2010, however the ratio of male to female inmates has remained fairly constant for the past five years. Inmates were primarily pretrial and stated sentenced; 41% of inmates housed were federal prisoner.

The chart at left provides the breakdown of male vs. female inmates from 2007 through 2010 and above provides the commitment status of inmates by category.

Security Matters – The Detention Center Bureau is the backbone of the Detention Center. Each of the



Deputy Marvin Vaughan (right) listens to inmates at his workstation in unit 4G. Above, Deputy David Corso arrives at his first floor workstation on the night shift

four Deputy Sheriff teams work in twelve hour shifts to directly supervise inmates in their housing units and/or are at workstations placed adjacent to the housing areas. Deputies manage every activity in the facility, ensuring



the safety of all staff, inmates, and visitors. Housing Unit

Deputies perform the lions share of the inmate management duties. Housing Unit Deputies maintain order directly within inmate living areas, interacting with staff and inmates to address inmate issues, making referrals for services, and conducting routine searches (shakedown) of inmate living areas to eliminate possible contraband. Floor



Security Deputies are stationed immediately adjacent to their inmate housing areas and make regular and

frequent rounds within the units to ensure the proper environment and living conditions. Floor Security Deputies are also responsible for knowing the inmate population and their behaviors and for anticipating issues that without intervention, may give rise to problems. Security Deputies also conduct transports of inmates outside of the housing unit to other areas

of the facility. No inmate is allowed to travel outside of his or her housing area without direct Deputy supervision.



Inmate/Support Services Bureau— The Inmate/Support Services Bureau augments the security of the Detention Center by ensuring the safety of the facility's physical plant. This is accomplished by the Facility Services Section, which coordinates the completion of all maintenance requests, is responsible for the major



cleaning of the facility and supervises the inmate workers' projects inside and outside of the Detention Center. Facility Services has also continued to serve as the Office's liaison for ongoing construction at the Public Safety Center. One phase of the project resulted in a newly constructed inmate intake/booking area. Work will continue to fully complete new offices and interview rooms in Booking and a new inmate Records office.

Facility Services also oversees the inmate workers who serve in the kitchen and do the laundry. Using inmate labor helps teach strong work ethics, builds vocational skills and saves the facility thousands of dollars each year. Workers are compensated through contributions to their canteen accounts and other special incentives.

Deputies at their posts — above left: Deputy Angela Whren; above right, Deputy Raymond Veney. Below right, Sheriff Lawhorne assists with snow plowing during Feb 2010 snow emergency

Civilians in the Ranks

A cadre of trained civilian staff perform vital functions that facilitate a safe and secure environment while ensuring that each inmate is legally detained. Classification counselors conduct intake interviews on everyone committed to the facility and provide each inmate with an orientation to life in the Detention Center. Classification staff make classification and housing decisions based on information gathered during intake process, ensuring a safe mix of inmates in each housing unit. In CY 2010, Classification staff conducted over 2,307 intake interviews to accomplish this task. Special commendation goes to Classification staff David Ward, who completed 789 interviews, roughly 34% of all conducted during the year.



Records staff maintain an accurate records file on each inmate housed in the facility. The inmate record includes all legal documents committing the inmate to incarceration and time computations



made to ensure each inmate is detained only as long as legally required. Records staff process approximately 45,000 inmates files each year.



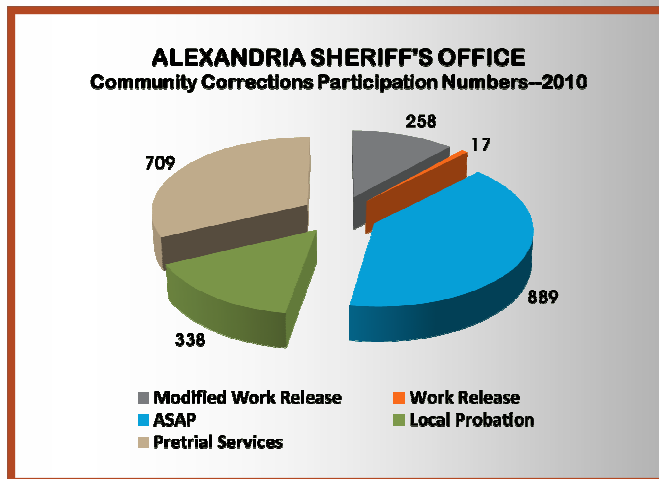
Programs staff bring educational and rehabilitative programs to the Detention Center. With the help of over 257 active volunteers, inmates have access to GED preparation, literacy training, life skills groups, domestic violence prevention and religious programming.

Lastly, contract medical, mental health and food service staff provide constitutionally mandated services that meet or exceed professional standards for local jails.

Top right: Classification staff (left to right) Henry Young, Ruth Graham, Cindy Kapetanis Andrea Hancock, Liz Dixon, Wendy Flurlage, Classification Mgr. Latanya Ervin, and David Ward Bottom right: Records staff, (front row) Sandra Taylor, Michelle Friar, Carmelita Cook, (back row) Brenda Gray, Gladys Cox, Rony Wise, Andelyn Cerna, Allison Baker, Taiwo Akinbami. Bottom left: Educational instructor Krista Sofonia assists students during class. The teacher is provided through contract with Alexandria City Public Schools.

Community Corrections

Offender management is a task performed by the Sheriff's Office not only in the jail and courthouse, but also in the community. During 2010, the Sheriff's Office provided services to over 3522 offenders in its community corrections programs. The Alexandria Criminal Justice Services program, the largest of the Offices programs, provides pre-trial supervision to defendants being adjudicated in the courts and post-trial probation supervision of offenders to ensure their compliance with court ordered conditions of release. The Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP) targeted the problem of driving under the influence by providing alcohol education and substance abuse testing to individuals convicted of DWI/DUI



and for those completing the program, recommending the appropriate return of their suspended licenses. The Modified Work Release (MWR) program provides the courts with community based sentencing alternatives that allow non-violent offenders to work off their sentences by completing public works projects under the supervision of City staff. The figure above charts participation numbers for Sheriff's Office community corrections programs.



Above right: Deputies Roy Hopson and Earlene Pierre review the file of a Modified Work Release candidate. Pictured at left are ACJS staff Rosa Ammons, DeSha Winstead and Shonia Bryant

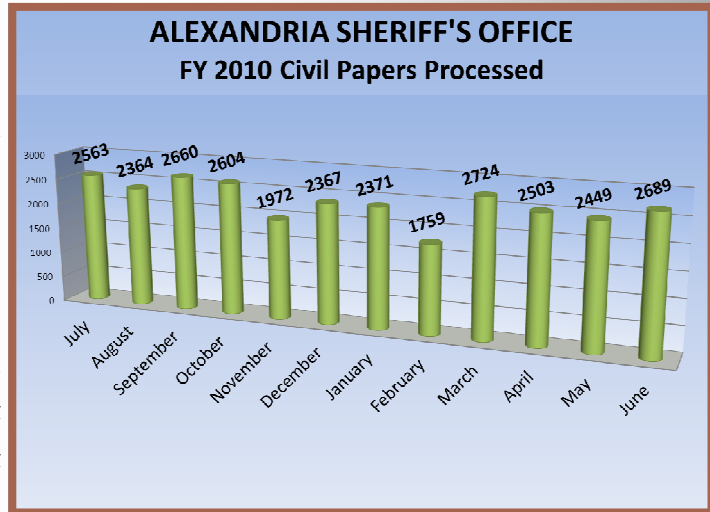
Judicial and Special Operations

The Judicial and Special Operations Bureau is tasked with protecting the Courthouse and performs the bulk of the Office's traditional law enforcement duties. The Bureau is divided into two sections: Judicial Services and Special Operations.

Judicial Services

A major task of Judicial Services is the service of thousands of legal documents on defendants and witnesses in both civil and criminal matters. In 2010, Judicial Services processed approximately 28,823 civil papers. For each paper received Sheriff's Office staff must verify that the service address is correct, that the service address is actually with-

in the Alexandria City jurisdiction, that the person or entity served is appropriately identified, and that the proper fee is enclosed for service. Because of errors or omissions in the civil papers received, service was attempted in 7,116 of the total papers received. The chart to the right provides the number of civil papers processed by month during CY 2010.



Screening visitors to the Alexandria Courthouse and providing security for all court hearings ensures that everyone entering the Courthouse poses no threat to the safety of the facility or to trial proceedings. Sheriff's Office staff screened 276,233 visitors to the Courthouse in the past year and provided security for 76,243 court cases.



(Left) Deputy Lisa Speed at Courthouse Control Center; (Center) Captain Clarke Stearns with Deputy Andrea Diaz; (Right) Deputy George Gray at the entrance screening station.

Special Operations

Along with Judicial Services Deputies, the staff of Special Operations is the most visible and most mobile of all of the Sheriff's Office operational units. Special Operations staff accomplish prisoner transports other than those to and from court, and are responsible for executing criminal warrants on fugitives from justice and others who are alleged to have committed crimes in Alexandria. Special Operations perform the lions share of the Office's traditional law enforcement duties.



Special Operations Unit prepares for warrant sweep

WARRANTS CLEARED FROM ISSUING COURT	
Circuit Court	389
General District	433
Juvenile & Domestic Relations	11
Other	181
Total	1014

The Warrants Unit served 1,130 criminal warrants on 733 individuals during FY 2010. The unit also collaborated with federal officials and the Alexandria Police in several warrant sweeps throughout the year. The chart at left lists the warrants executed by Special Operations issued from each court.

K-9 Operations

Deputy John O'Hara is the handler for the Sheriff's Office's K-9 "Sherman". Sherman, the Office's bomb-sniffing dog, was kept busy in 2010 answering calls for service for suspicious packages, conducting safety sweeps of the Public Safety Center and Courthouse, and participating in special events and special security operations. The team's major accomplishments for 2010 also include a first place finish in the United States Police Canine Association's Region 3 Explosive Detection Trials. Congratulations Deputy O'Hara and Sherman!



Deputy John O'Hara and Sherman

Excellence Of Service

A Good Neighbor

Many opportunities were presented in 2010 for the Sheriff's Office to confirm its commitment to Alexandria's residents and visitors. Weather emergencies presented the greatest of challenges to the community in 2010, with both winter and summer storms taxing City resources and the daily routines of local citizens. The Sheriff's Office was there through it all, assisting with emergency operations, providing a hand to those in need and protecting Alexandria's citizens from harm.



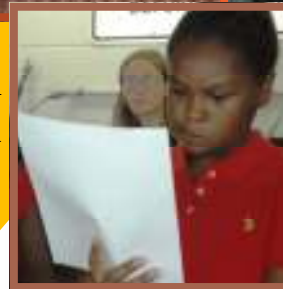
Top left: Deputy Monique Edwards escorts students during snow emergency; top right: Deputy Cassandra Branch listens to citizen during Art on the Avenue event; center: Deputy Nora Jones (right) and Cindy Catlett (second from right) provide coverage in Emergency Operations Center; below left: Chief Lenny George (second from right) and Deputy George Burnham, (right) deliver Thanksgiving meals to Hopkins House; center bottom: Sheriff Lawhorne and Deputy Gregory Zedalis help out following August 2010 storm; below right: Deputy Trina Graves delivers lunch to senior citizen for Meals on Wheels Program

Serving Our Youth

Fostering the growth and development of youth and children is a high priority for the Alexandria Sheriff's Office. In 2010, as in previous years, the Office sponsored youth programs and participated in events, meetings and activities that encouraged Alexandria's youth to press forward towards excellence. The year's efforts included programs and activities that helped youth and children to learn, explore their world, and acquire skills that will serve them as they grow into adulthood.

Youth Academy

The 2010 Youth Academy taught its students about the Sheriff's Office and the local criminal justice system. The academy participants toured the Detention Center, Courthouse, were treated to a demonstration by K-9 Sherman, and culminated their experience by participating in a mock trial where Academy participants served as the prosecution, defense, judge and jury.



Senior Experience

Conducted in partnership with the Alexandria City Public Schools, the Senior Experience program truly gave T.C. Williams High School seniors a memorable experience at the Sheriff's Office. Four seniors participated in a three-week internship, where they learned about the Sheriff's Office's role as in Alexandria's



Public Safety system and in what it takes to keep the Sheriff's Office operational, from budget to policies, programs and tactics. The interns spent an afternoon at the firing range, where they all scored bulls-eyes!

Clockwise from top: Miles Weaver is judge during mock trial; Abraham Mensaray, Mikela Wrenn-Reid and Tyler Hoffmaster during SERT Team demonstration; Candace Zengeye studies handout during class. Bottom left: Senior Experience students after visit to firing range.

While the Senior Experience and Youth Academy are the Office's more intensive youth programs, the Sheriff's Office provided other opportunities in 2010 for students to learn, grow and be cared for. The following chart and photographs display the programs and activities that demonstrated the Office's commitment to Alexandria's youth throughout the year.



Serving Our Youth	Sticker Shock Program	Cub Scouts	Summer Jobs Program
	TC Williams Defensive Tactics Class	Easter Bunny Hospital Visits	Take Your Daughters and Sons to Work Day
	Youth Mapping Program	Christmas Toy Drive	Active Shooter Demonstrations

Above left: Chief Lenny George teaches TC Williams active shooter class; Center: Deputy Monique Edwards gives cub scouts a tour of the Public Safety Center; Above right: a student places stickers on beer coolers as part of the Sticker Shock program; Bottom left: Deputy Deborah Vaughan during National Night Out ; Bottom right: Summer Jobs Program worker Isaiah Bunch poses in front of the Sheriff's star

Inmate and Volunteer Programs

Sheriff's Office staff coordinates with volunteers, other City agencies and local non-profit organizations to bring academic and rehabilitative programs to individuals housed inside the Detention Center. The facility's treatment philosophy is structured around **Sobriety, Education and Transition**. From this triad approach, individuals are given the opportunity to be free from substance abuse; achieve educational milestones; and participate in programs that help prepare them for a successful transition back into their communities. In 2010, 21 inmates achieved their GEDs while at the Detention Center and over 138 inmates participated in the Sober Living Unit, the facility's therapeutic community substance abuse program. Hundreds of other inmate participated in other Detention Center programs that included religious services, life skills groups, yoga, parenting and music.



Volunteers provide a variety of programs to enrich the lives of Detention Center inmates. Abdelwahab Hassan leads inmates in Jumah prayer; Veteran's Administration Re-Entry Specialist Rodney Carter gives talk to inmates; former Chaplain Poffenberger gives counsel to an inmate; Bottom row: Brigitta Gruenther plays the cello at Catholic Mass; Mary Lee leads Bible study; and musicians from Na Rafriki pose after their performance.

Inmate Work Detail

Inmate workers perform the lion's share of work in the Detention Center that keep daily operations running. From cooking and serving food, doing laundry and taking care of facility cleaning, inmates workers give valuable service while gaining new skills to use in the workforce after release. Inmates also provide services that benefit society outside of the Detention Center. During 2010, the Inmate Work Detail completed public

works projects that saved the City more than \$230,000 in labor costs. Projects completed during 2010 included landscaping and mulching at parks and schools; roadway cleanup; and preparing City vehicles for auction. The Work Detail also made significant contributions to the City in the aftermath of the February 2010 snow storms, clearing fire hydrants for access by emergency equipment; and after the August 2010 storm, cleaning debris from streets and neighborhoods.



Volunteers

Volunteers help make inmate programming happen at the Detention Center. In 2010, inmate programming was accomplished through the efforts of 257 active volunteers representing approximately 23 different organizations that include From the Heart Church Ministries, Georgetown University, Alfred Street Baptist Church, Yoga in Daily Life, and the Insight Meditation Community of Washington.



Volunteer Dorothy Small receive Sheriff Lawhorne's gratitude for service during the 2010 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon; (Center), Sheriff Lawhorne poses with the Correctional Services Advisory Board (CSAB); (Right), Detention Center SLU Counselor Ron Eldridge, (first from left) poses with his group, Na Rafriki after their performance at the Detention Center

Excellence in Action

Excellence in action means giving your best and displaying the highest standards of integrity and professionalism. During the past year, staff exemplified the high ideals that define the Alexandria Sheriff's Office and gave of their time and resources to ensure the furtherance of public safety no matter where they worked.

2010 Sheriff's Office Employee Awards

The Sheriff's Office annually celebrates employee excellence during its annual employee awards ceremony. The chart at right lists the 2010 award winners by category.

Outside Agency Recognitions

Sheriff's staff received kudos from other agencies as well. The chart below lists the awards received by staff from local non-profit and governmental agencies.

2010 Sheriff's Office Employee Awards Winners	
Community Service	Monique Edwards
Best Idea	Anthony Zymunt
Esprit de Corps	Byung Rim
Life Saving	Tanya Wilson
Uniform and Physical Fitness	Ernesto Arroyo
Unit Spirit Award	Inmate Work Detail
Outstanding Performance: Sworn Supervisor	Mavis Thomas
Outstanding Performance: Sworn Line Staff	Charlie Winstead
Outstanding Performance: Civilian Supervisor	Mondre' Kornegay
Outstanding Performance: Civilian Line Staff	LaToscha Pierce

2010 Employees of the Quarter

1st Qtr.	Ramone Brooks
2nd Qtr.	Nora Jones
3rd Qtr.	Allison Baker
4th Qtr.	Vikas Ohri

Congratulations to Deputy Walter Travers for achieving 30 years of service!!



Outside Agency Recognitions

Alexandria Jaycees	Felicia Mensah
Commission for Women	Denise Costley
Optimist Club	Audrey Eskridge
Sons of the American Revolution	Bryant Vaughn

Working in Partnership

Excellence means working in partnership to make Alexandria a better place to live, work and visit. The Sheriff's Office works consistently in partnership with the City's public safety agencies, and other City agencies in projects that benefit Alexandria. As law enforcement partners, the Sheriff's Office participated this past year in DWI enforcement action, traffic control during and after weather emergencies, joint task forces to remove fugitives from our communities, and sex offender sweeps with the Virginia State police, just to name a few.



Alexandria Deputy Sheriff's hold dual certification in law enforcement and corrections,

to bring added benefit to the citizens of Alexandria. Intelligence gathered through effective management of inmates inside the Detention Center has often led to a more effective law enforcement response in Alexandria's streets and neighborhoods. Telephone monitoring and recorded has also resulted in the closing out of several important court cases and federal investigations. One example of the Office's effectiveness has been the work performed by Deputy George Burnham, whose efforts helped bring about the successful prosecution in a federal court case, leading to his receipt of a special commendation by the federal Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.



In addition to our public safety partnerships, the Sheriff's Office maintains ties with Alexandria's civic and community associations to meet the needs of citizens up close and personally. Through the Sheriff's Office Community Liaison Program, Sheriff's staff attend active civic and community association meetings to understand and respond to the needs of Alexandria's residents. We are proud of our partnerships with the people of



Alexandria, and look for ways to Alexandria's neighborhoods and communities.



Above right, now Sergeant Chris O'dell does duty at blood drive sponsored by the Alexandria Sheriff's Association; immediately above (left to right) are Sheriff's Command Staff during 2010 Fire Memorial Service and Deputy Robert Gilmore preparing to lay a rose of remembrance at this year's COG Corrections Wreath Laying Ceremony

FACES IN THE CROWD



Looking Forward to 2011...

Truesdale Monument and Detention Center Naming Ceremony — On January 27, 1981, Deputy William G. Truesdale lost his life while performing a prisoner escort, becoming the Office's only Deputy Sheriff to be killed in the line of duty. On May 5, 2011, the Detention Center was named and a monument dedicated to Deputy Truesdale's sacrifice. More details to follow in the Sheriff's Office's 2011 Annual Report.

2011 Senior Experience Program — TC Williams Seniors will experience the time of their lives during a three week internship at the Sheriff's Office! Senior Experience students will get an up close view of Sheriff's Office operations and learn first hand what it takes to be a part of a professional law enforcement and corrections agency. Highlights of the "Experience" will include defensive tactics instruction, pursuit driving and a visit to the firing range. We love our Seniors!

2011 Youth Academy — The summer belongs to our youth! The Sheriff's Office begins the summer season with the seniors and ends with the youth academy, targeted to ages 11-17. The Academy provides three days filled with a fun and learning. Students participate in exercises to spark their critical thinking and witness demonstrations from the Office's K-9 Unit and SERT Team.

Patrol Refresher Training — Maintaining a well-trained staff is a priority at the Sheriff's Office. In 2011, the Sheriff's Office will embark on a comprehensive program of re-training our Deputies on law enforcement street skills. The training ensures that Alexandria citizens have the most professional and effective staff possible, and evidences the Sheriff's Office's belief that through training comes excellence.

9-11: 10 years of Remembrance — The Sheriff's Office will join with other City of Alexandria public safety agencies to plan a ceremony commemorating the terrible events of September 11, 2001. We will never forget how 9-11 changed us as a nation and as a people. We laud our heroes of 9-11, and will dedicate a ceremony honoring their sacrifice.



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